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The USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Field Operations is pleased to announce the appointment of

Marlo D. Johnson
Director, Agricultural Statistics
USDA-NASS – Great Lakes Regional Office



Marlo D. Johnson assumed the position as Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office on September 6, 2015. She previously served as a Section Head in the Census and Survey Division in Washington, D.C.

Marlo accepted a Section Head position, in the Census and Survey Division in October 2013. In this position she supervised four Data Collection Centers. The Data Collection Centers train, schedule, monitor and manage the office enumerators that call on NASS Surveys.

Marlo was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff of the USDA-NASS Office of the Administrator on January 14, 2006. In this capacity, she served as a senior advisor to the Associate Administrator and the Senior Executive Team on budget planning, congressional activities, and day-to-day decisions which impact the Agency. In September 2012, Marlo interned with the Department of Interior for the President's Management Council Interagency Rotation Program. In May 2007, she also interned with the National Transportation Safety Board, and Office of Management and Budget while in the Executive Potential Program.

From January 2003 until her appointment as Chief of Staff, Marlo served as a Developer/ Programmer in the Statistics Division and as the National Labor Survey Administrator. Her NASS career began on September 17, 1994 as an Agricultural Statistician in the NASS-Virginia Field Office. She subsequently completed tours of duty in the NASS Missouri and Mississippi Field Offices.

Marlo was raised on a small farm in Southern Illinois (E. Saint Louis, IL). She received her Bachelors of Science degree in Agriculture Economics from Alcorn State University in 1993. Marlo received a volleyball scholarship to attend Alcorn. She completed the coursework for a Master's in Agribusiness Management from Mississippi State University in 1994.

She has one son, Brandon Truslow.